

2013-2014 Timeline for Completing the Lake Champlain Restoration Plan (Phosphorus TMDL) Including Opportunities for Public Comment

Steps	Timeframe
State releases Draft Proposal for Restoring Lake Champlain	November, 21, 2013
EPA and State hold <u>six public meetings</u> to discuss Draft Proposal	December, 2-11, 2013
State receives <u>public comments</u> on Draft Proposal	By January 17, 2014
State receives comments from EPA on Draft Proposal	By January 17, 2014
EPA prepares the pollution load allocations (i.e., TMDL's load and wasteload allocations) and other TMDL components	Winter, 2014
State submits final Policy Commitments to meet the TMDL's Reasonable Assurance* provision based on Draft Proposal	Spring, 2014
State provides EPA a letter from the Governor and leadership of the Vermont General Assembly, supporting the Policy Commitments	Spring, 2014
EPA issues Draft TMDL and opens <u>public comment period</u>	Late Spring, 2014
EPA issues final TMDL; State begins implementation	Summer, 2014

* When a TMDL depends on some pollution reduction from nonpoint sources, there must be "reasonable assurance" that the nonpoint source load reductions will be achieved.